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Customer No. 22,852

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Bruce A. BRANDT et al.

Application No.: 09/652,275

Filed: August 31, 2000

For: APPARATUS AND METHODS

FOR PROCESSING MAILPIECE

INFORMATION IN A MAIL

PROCESSING DEVICE USING

SORTER APPLICATION

SOFTWARE

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## **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 12, 2003, the period for response being extended for two months by the concurrent filing of a Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the requisite fee, please reexamine and reconsider the application in view of the amendments and appended remarks, filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

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